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To

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Subject :- Improvement in Electoral Roll- Launching of National Electoral Rolls
Purification and Authentication Programme (NERPAP)
on 01.03.2015- regarding.

With reference to your letter dated 7th February, 2015 and 26th February, 2015 on the subject mentioned above and in continuation with my earlier letter No : ELC/1014/166(2)-CHH dated 11th February, 2015, I am to state that the Election Commission of India has issued detailed instructions for improvement in Electoral Roll and launching of National Electoral Rolls Purification and Authentication Programme (NERPAP) from 01.03.2015. In this regard all the CEOs have been instructed to carry out various activities in a time bound manner and they are required to submit various periodical reports to the Commission. This has also been discussed in video conference held with Election Commission of India on 26/2/2015.

2. In view of Election Commission of India's instructions we have prepared a list of activities for the entire year 2015 with a view to achieving the objective of clean and error free electoral rolls. Detailed programme of these activities is enclosed herewith. The main points of this programme are as under:

a) As per the discussion held in the CEOs conference on 23rd February, 2015, BLO Register is being revised and it will be sent to the Commission by 10th March, 2015 for approval.

b) It is proposed to undertake house to house verification of the details of electoral data-base during 16-4-2015 to 15-6-2015 for error verification, collection of Aadhar Card Number, Photo Quality Checking, Repeated Photo Checking, de-duplication, modification in the details of electors etc.

c) It is planned to do Rationalization of polling stations during 1-4-2015 to 31-7-2015.

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d) It is pertinent to note that in Gujarat in almost the entire State, Local Body Elections to 231 Taluka Panchayats (out of 248), 31 District Panchayats (out of 33), 6 Municipal Corporations (out of 8) and 53 Nagar Palikas (out of 80) are to be held during the months of September-October-2015. The State Election Commission has already started preparations and will also be taking up Delimitation of constituencies, revision of electoral rolls etc. from April-2015. Mostly, Electoral Registration Officers/ Assistant Electoral Registration Officers of the Assembly Constituencies will be engaged in the above pre-poll preparations. It is, therefore, proposed to publish Draft Roll - 2016 after these local body elections are over i.e. on 19-10-2015. The detailed revision programme of Summary Revision - 2016 will be as shown in the enclosed list.

3. The following points may also kindly be reconsidered.

a) As mentioned in point No.10 of Commission's letter dated 26th February, 2015, it has been instructed to fix and achieve the month wise targets i.e. 15% by 31-3-2015, 20% (cumulative 35%) by 30-4-2015 and so on. In this regard, it is stated that as mentioned in our detailed programme we are planning to undertake house to house verification of the Electoral Rolls during 16-4-2015 to 15-6-2015. Thereafter, data entries will be made and check list will be verified. In view of this, it will be possible to send the details of target achieved in terms of collection of Aadhar card, correction of various types of errors and other para-meters by 31st July, 2015 only. It is, therefore, not appropriate to fix month wise targets as mentioned in the Commission's letter under reference.

b) As far as monitoring and submission of reports as mentioned in the Commission's letter under reference is concerned, it is ensured that all activities as mentioned in the enclosed list will be monitored closely and scrupulously. However, keeping in view the various activities to be under taken, the first periodical report will be submitted by 31st May, 2015, second report by 30-6-2015 and final report by 31-8-2015.

c) In so far as the methodology of Aadhar feeding is concerned the Commission has instructed that the feeding of Aadhar number and EPIC number of electors should be done through National Voter's Service Portal (NVSP) using web services through Election Commission of India's Website. In this connection it is proposed that initially, the primary data entry will be done in the CEO Gujarat's Portal and after data entry is completed the entire data will be uploaded / transferred on National Voter's Service Portal (NVSP). As of today, 10,41,467 number of Aadhar card data has been entered already. We are checking the validity of these numbers at the time of data entry itself.

4. As regards para 5(d) of the Commission's above referred letter related to Booth Awareness Groups, kindly recall my request to the Election Commission of India during CEOs Conference on 23/2/2015. This being the local Body election's year in Gujarat, formation of such groups may lead to unnecessary criticism, allegation and confusion. Therefore, instead

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we will take up SVEEP activity at village level by individually assessing each organization / agency at local level under strict monitoring of District Election Officer.

5. You are requested to place the above proposal and the enclosed detailed programme for the approval of the Commission.

Yours faithfully,

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List of Activities for NERPAP Year - 2015			
Sr. No.	Activity	Start Date	End Date
1	Existing BLO register data entry completion and check list verification by the team formed by ERO/AERO (Preferably excluding BLO)	16-02-2015	20-03-2015
2	Online facility to Seed Aadhar Number with Electoral Roll Details & SMS based Aadhar Seeding facility	25-02-2015	01-03-2015
3	Launching of NERPAP by CEO / DEO through press, TV, AIR, Cable TV, Letters, emails etc	02-03-2015	02-03-2015
4	CEO / DEO to hold Political party Meeting	01-03-2015	15-03-2015
5	Updation of DEO/ ERO/ AERO/ BLO details	16-03-2015	01-04-2015
6	Updating List of Designated Officers in higher education Institutes	02-03-2015	30-04-2015
7	DEOs to send latest details of Designated Officers in Higher Educational Institutes	02-03-2015	30-04-2015
8	Training of Designated Officers (Hand over Form-6)	01-06-2015	30-06-2015
9	Popularising Voter Festival in colleges, Higher Educational Institutes - Letter to be written to all Principal	16-03-2015	01-04-2015
10	Detailed instructions of CEO for Voters Fest		20-03-2015
11	Launching of easy registration / correction Programme by CEO/ DEO / ERO through Press, TV, All India Radio etc.	02-03-2015	16-03-2015
12	Holding of meeting with Political Parties by CEO/ DEO / ERO about the activities to be under taken during the year.	02-03-2015	16-03-2015
13	Appointment of 2nd Year students of NSS in every college as Campus Ambassador. Details to be sent by DEOs.	01-06-2015	30-06-2015
14	DEOs to hold meeting with NSS, NLM, NYKs, NCC, Pani Samiti, CDPO, DSO, Deputy collector MDM, chief Officer Municipalities, Municipal Corporation and govt. agencies - briefing & encouraging participation in correction campaign by giving written details.	01-04-2015	15-04-2015
15	Revising BLO Register and sending revised format to ECI for approval	25-02-2015	10-03-2015
16	Appointment of Booth Level Officers (BLOs) & changes, if required, by taking into account retirement in May/October 2015	16-03-2015	01-04-2015
17	Generation of BLO register and printing a. Photo Verification & collection b. Error correction & form-8 collection c. Collection of Aadhar Number and contact number d. Expired, Shifted electors details with Form-7 e. Identifying new localities f. Correction of Section details, pincode g. Checking of above 80 age electors and more than 10 electors in a house	20-03-2015	10-04-2015
18	DEOs to activate e-Gram Centers easy registration & easy correction	02-03-2015	16-03-2015
19	DEOs to coordinate to start electoral registration / correction services at Civic Centers in Municipalities, Corporations (with no extra cost - only as an additional service)	02-03-2015	31-03-2015
20	Designing of Poster regarding easy registration & easy correction	02-03-2015	16-03-2015
21	Placing such poster at Panchayat Ghar, Entrance of Societies / Flats / Urban Locality	01-04-2015	10-04-2015
22	Issue standard letter authorising BLO for house to house verification to DEO	02-03-2015	16-03-2015
23	Distribution of Authority letter to BLOs under the signature of DEO	02-04-2015	05-04-2015
24	Distribution of BLO Register	02-04-2015	05-04-2015
25	Special Camp at polling station level to collect Aadhar card numbers in entire State	12-04-2015	12-04-2015

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26	Updating DEO/ ERO / AERO / Sector Officer / BLO details on website		10-03-2015	10-04-2015
27	Training of ERO, AERO, BLO - BLO to report as per convenience once a month on a Friday to AERO (In training take BLO Convenient reporting date)		06-04-2015	15-04-2015
28	Weekly review by the Sector Officers (Format for review to be given by CEO office)		02-03-2015	16-03-2015
29	CEO office to prepare standard PPT for SVEEP activities			25-03-2015
30	SVEEP Activities (before House to House verification by BLO) through Radio, TV, Cable TV scrolling, Press Note, Website, Bulk SMS, e-Gram, Matdar Suvidha Kendra, Linking on other website, letters to organisations, vice chancellors of universities, Schools, Colleges, NGOs, RWAS.		01-04-2015	30-04-2015
31	Appointment of Campus Ambassadors			30-06-2015
32	Error Verification, De-Duplication, Photo Quality Checking, Repeated Photo Checking, Photo collection, Collection of Aadhar Numbers etc. in BLO Register		16-04-2015	15-06-2015
33	Formation of checklist team with BLO		01-06-2015	15-06-2015
34	Correction of Errors, Scanning of Photograph		16-06-2015	15-07-2015
35	Checklist Verification and further correction		16-07-2015	05-08-2015
36	Special Campaign Day - Display Corrected Entries		09-08-2015	09-08-2015
37	Final reporting on Aadhar feeding		12-08-2015	12-08-2015
38	Preparation of supplement of continuous updation		10-08-2015	14-08-2015
39	Polling Station Physical verification format design		02-03-2015	16-03-2015
40	Rationalisation of Polling Stations a.) Physical Verification of Polling Stations by Sector Officers in a format given by CEO office. b.) Publication of Draft Polling Station List c.) Supply copies of the Proposal of modification in the existing list of polling stations to local branches of all recognised political parties etc. (at the level of DEO) d.) Meeting with the party representatives and MLAs/MPs to discuss the draft list of polling stations and suggestions received (at the level of DEO) e.) Forwarding the lists of proposed modifications in the existing list of polling stations to the Commission by the CEO of the States, alongwith the scrutiny sheet and the certificates already prescribed		01-04-2015	31-07-2015
41	Updating of Control Tables (including polling station Updating) & database		01-08-2015	14-08-2015
42	Training of Master Trainers - State level Master Trainers, District Level Master Trainers, Assembly Level Master Trainers		01-08-2015	15-08-2015
43	Integration of rolls, Draft Roll PDF Generation, Printing of Draft Rolls		01-09-2015	19-10-2015
44	Appointment of Booth Level Officers (BLOs) for new Polling Stations & changes if required		01-09-2015	01-10-2015
45	Training and orientation of EROs/AEROs/ BLOs		01-10-2015	15-10-2015
46	Preparation of CEO's Website for Draft Publication of integrated rolls and providing search facility		01-10-2015	15-10-2015
47	Standardisation of search facility at website		01-10-2015	15-10-2015
48	Meeting with Political Parties		09-10-2015	17-10-2015
49	SVEEP for Summary Revision - 2016		09-10-2015	10-11-2015
50	DEOs to hold meeting with NSS, NLM, NYKs, NCC, Pani Samiti, CDPO, DSO, Deputy collector MDM, chief Officer Municipalities, Municipal Corporation and govt. agencies - briefing & encouraging participation in correction campaign by giving written details.		09-10-2015	10-11-2015

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51	Draft Roll - 2016 Publication	19-10-2015	19-10-2015
52	Submission of Claims & Objections	19-10-2015	10-11-2015
53	Special Campaign Day - 1 (Sunday)	25-10-2015	25-10-2015
54	Special Campaign Day - 2 (Sunday)	01-11-2015	01-11-2015
55	Special Campaign Day - 3 (Sunday)	08-11-2015	08-11-2015
56	Disposal of Claims & Objections	11-11-2015	21-12-2015
57	Supplementary Roll Generation, Merging of Roll & Printing	21-12-2015	05-01-2016
58	Standardisation of search facility at website	01-01-2016	05-01-2016
59	Final Electoral Roll Publication	05-01-2016	05-01-2016

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